

Please replace the Abstract with the following amended Abstract:

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Method for measuring performance of a storage device including rotatable media, for storing data to and/or retrieving data from said media via one or more data buffers.

The measurement method includes the steps of: specifying one or more access patterns

5 for transferring data to/from the media; and for each access pattern, specifying one or more different required data transfer rates, measuring the actual data transfer time of the storage device for transferring ~~said~~ the data according to that access pattern, and determining performance of the storage device in relation to each required data transfer rate based on the actual data transfer time for ~~said~~ the data.